

REMARKS

This application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action dated August 24, 2006. Independent Claim 4 is pending in the application. Reconsideration and further examination are respectfully requested.

As an initial matter, Applicant thanks the Examiner for the continued indication that Claim 4 contains allowable subject matter and would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Claim 4 having been rewritten herein into independent form in accordance with the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter, and all claims other than Claim 4 having been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer of subject matter, the application is believed to be in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested at the Examiner's earliest convenience.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, CA office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

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